

DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am an original, first, and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

NOVEL DUAL CORES FOR GOLF BALLS

the specification of which is attached hereto.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37 Code of Federal Regulations § 1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Not applicable.

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

This application also claims priority on U.S. provisional patent application serial No. 60/042,439 filed March 28, 1997.

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

Not applicable.

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 R. Dennis Nesbitt of 70 Deer Path Lane, Westfield, Massachusetts 01094, U.S.A.

2. Name and Address of Receiving Party(ies): Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? Yes No
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Execution Date: 1/6-1/7/99

4. Application number: 09/048,701 Filing Date: March 26, 1998
 Additional no.(s) attached? Yes No

5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:

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Our Docket: P-5686

ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS we, Michael J. Sullivan of 58 Marlborough Street, Chicopee, Massachusetts 01020, U.S.A.; and R. Dennis Nesbitt of 70 Deer Path Lane, Westfield, Massachusetts 01094, U.S.A. have invented a new product entitled

NOVEL DUAL CORES FOR GOLF BALLS, and,

WHEREAS an application for Letters Patent of the United States was filed on March 26, 1998 and was assigned U.S. Serial No. 09/048,701, and

SPALDING SPORTS WORLDWIDE, INC., a corporation of Delaware, with its principal place of business at 425 Meadow Street, P.O. Box 901, Chicopee, Massachusetts 01021-0901, U.S.A., is desirous of acquiring certain rights thereunder,

NOW THEREFORE, for one dollar (\$1) to us in hand paid by SPALDING SPORTS WORLDWIDE, INC., we have agreed to and do hereby sell, assign, and set over to said SPALDING SPORTS WORLDWIDE, INC., its successors or assigns, our entire right, title and interest in, to and under said invention and any Letters Patent of the United States of America and/or any country foreign thereto, that may be granted to us therefore. Further, we hereby authorize the above-mentioned assignee to insert in this instrument the identifying serial number and filing date of our said application when received.

U.S. Serial No. 09/048,701Filing Date March 26, 1998Docket No. P-5686ASSIGNMENT (continued)

We hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent in accordance with this Assignment.

WITNESS my hand and seal this 6th day of

January, 1999.

Michael J. Sullivan

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STATE OF MASSACHUSETTS

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COUNTY OF HAMPDEN

) SS: Chicopee

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On this 10th day of January, 1999, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared the above named Michael J. Sullivan, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing Assignment and who has acknowledged the same to be his free act and deed.

Laura J. Nolan

Notary Public Signature

My Commission Expires: 3/18/2005

WITNESS my hand and seal this 7th day of

January, 1999.

R. Dennis Nesbitt

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STATE OF MASSACHUSETTS

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On this 7th day of January, 1999, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared the above named R. Dennis Nesbitt, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing Assignment and who has acknowledged the same to be his free act and deed.

Laura J. Nolan

Notary Public Signature

My Commission Expires: 3/18/2005

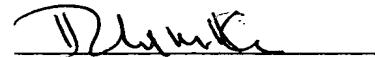
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Dear Sir:

Please recognize Diane F. Covello, Registration No. 34,164, and Michelle Bugbee, Registration No. 42,370, as common representatives in the above-referenced patent application.

Respectfully submitted,

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